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RCE/1651#

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Suman Preet Singh KHANUJA et al.

Title: A COMPOSITION COMPRISING
PHARMACEUTICAL/NUTRACEUTICAL
AGENT AND A BIO-ENHANCER
OBTAINED FROM GLYCYRRHIZA
GLABRA

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Appl. No.: 09/655,710

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Examiner: Susan D. Coe

Art Unit: 1651

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on ____.

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☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on ___ but not considered.

☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ___.

☐ Other ___.

b. Enclosed are:

☒ Preliminary Amendment.

☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).

☐ Information Disclosure Statement.

☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of ___ listed reference(s).

☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ___ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$770.00	= \$770.00
Total Claims:	7	- 48	= 0	x \$18.00	= \$0.00
Independents	1	- 3	= 0	x \$86.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$290.00	= \$0.00
CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:					= \$770.00

☒ Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$420.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1190.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:			\$1190.00

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$1190.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$1190.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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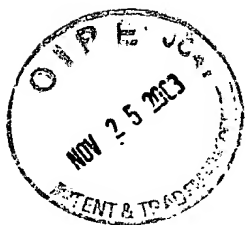
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This preliminary amendment is filed concurrently with a RCE in response to the final Office Action dated June 27, 2003, in the captioned application. A Petition for a two-month extension of time with the requisite fee is enclosed to extend the time to respond to November 27, 2003. Should such a request or any fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.18 to Account No. 19-0741.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: